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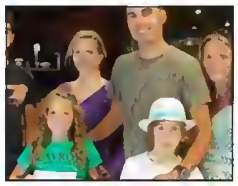

Fundraising for Madi

Raising funds at CarrotFest to pay for new medication.

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Studio Art Tour returns

Meeting the artists in this year's BWG Studio Art Tour.

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Cow-abunga!

Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

Emily Lange, with her Champion calf at the 4-H Dairy Show, sponsored by the Cookstown Agricultural Society at the Barrie Fair on August 23.

On August 21, the 160th Barrie Fair officially opened at its new permanent home, the Essa Agriplex.

The talk at the Fair was less about the midway, livestock shows, horses, tractor pulls and entertainment, and more about the venue itself.

Fair-goers were enthusiastic about the facilities, the layout, the ease of parking, and the rural setting - and about the Barrie Agricultural Society's commitment to agriculture, in making the long-term investment to provide a modern and updated facility to showcase Agriculture in Simcoe County.

Both the Simcoe County Holstein Show, and the Cookstown Agricultural Society's 4-H Fair and Achievement Day have now chosen to relocate at the new venue during the Barrie Fair - adding a different standard of competition to the Livestock Shows.

The 4-H Fair included Horse, Sheep, Dairy and Beef Club competitions, and Achievement Day - for points and standing - for Cookstown 4-H members. 4-H is an international Youth organization, that focuses on leadership, citizenship, healthy living, science, and Agriculture.

4-H celebrates 100 years in 2013.

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Guilty of 2nd degree murder

QMI Agency - A 29 year old Bradford man accused of murdering his girlfriend, then setting her house on fire, has pleaded guilty to Second Degree Murder, in a Barrie courtroom on August 23.

Ryan Kovacs was originally charged with 1st Degree Murder and Arson, but the Crown permitted the 29 year old to plead guilty to the lesser charge of 2nd Degree Murder.

The Court was told how the victim, Dawn Bailey, 27, was stabbed 8 times, in the face, chest, hand, neck and back, as she pleaded for her life on July 31, 2011. Bailey, a sports enthusiast who played on several women's hockey leagues and helped her father coach children's hockey, had recently broken up with Kovacs. She was living at her parents' Gilford home, in a basement bedroom.

Her parents were away for the weekend, when Kovacs crept into the home, saw the young woman sleeping, went upstairs to get a kitchen knife and then returned to the basement. He stabbed and strangled the victim, then used gasoline to set the home on fire.

Bailey's new boyfriend, Barrie resident Peter Valente, entered the burning home in an effort to save the young woman - but found her dead.

The family of the victim was present in court, and family members openly wept as they listened to the details.

The Court also heard of Kovacs' history of mental health problems and "bizarre" behaviour. Shortly before the murder, Bailey had called South Simcoe Police and said she was worried about Kovacs, who was behaving strangely and sending strange text messages. She believed he was suicidal. Police attended, but decided he was not suicidal.

After the murder, Kovacs confessed everything to police, calling himself a "monster." The sentencing hearing will take place on Aug. 30. Second degree murder brings a Life Sentence; Kovacs could be eligible for parole in 10 to 25 years.

Lions BBQ & Early Bird!

There's only one Early Bird Draw left, in the Bradford & District Lions Club's 60th annual Mammoth Draw for cash and cars. The final winner of an Early Bird prize of $1,000 cash will be drawn at the annual Lions Appreciation BBQ, taking place from noon to 3 p.m. this Saturday, August 31, in the Montessori School Parking lot at the corner of Collings and Holland St. W., Bradford. All are welcome, and the BBQ is free - but you must have a ticket to be entered in the draw, at 3 p.m.

Tickets are $100 each, and admit two to the main Lions Draw on September 7 at the Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Road - for a Beef Buffet Dinner, Social Gaming night, entertainment, and the elimination-style draw, for cash and not one, but **two** vehicles.

To mark the 60th anniversary of the Draw, the Lions are giving away a 2013 Chevrolet Cruze, to be won by the 2nd-last ticket pulled from the drum, and the Grand Prize of a 2013 Chev Silverado LTZ pick-up truck - thanks to a partnership with Paul Sadlon Motors-Barrie and General Motors.

Entertainment this year will be provided by The Greatest Legend Show, backed by a live band, singers and violins - featuring Frankie Valli, Neil Diamond, Rod Stewart, Elton John, Bee Gees and Garth Brooks Tribute Artists, with a DJ between sets. Upstairs, those watching the draw will be entertained by Radio-Flyer.

Funds raised support a long list of community activities and projects, including the BWG Leisure Centre, Southlake Regional Health Centre, local minor sports, school awards and scholarships, Effective Speaking competition, the Food Bank, Dog Guides, Santa Claus Parade, Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and many others.

Tickets are available at 905-775-9170 or from any Lion, and at selected retailers. Tickets will also be sold at the Appreciation BBQ - but hurry! Only 1700 tickets have been printed, and they are already 85% Sold!

Suspended driver nabbed by police

South Simcoe Police received a driving complaint in Bradford, Aug. 24, and spotted an off-road vehicle being operated on the roadway in the vicinity of a park. The 28 year old male driver was discovered to be a suspended driver, with no insurance or plates for the off-road vehicle - and had been consuming alcohol. A roadside screening test was administered which resulted in a WARN, and a 3-day suspension. Note: Off-road vehicles are not permitted on roads in BWG.

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our editorial

Senatorial silly season

No, we don't have a Museum in Bradford, but perhaps we should - especially since Senator Pamela Wallin billed the Senate $1828.95 for what was described as a trip to a "Bradford Museum."

The Globe & Mail of Saturday, August 17 listed the expense, along with a number of other dubious expenses that were among the $121,348 in claims that the Senator has been asked to repay.

The supposed trip to the Bradford Museum took place in 2009 - with the Senator billing the public for the round trip from Ottawa to Toronto, where she has a condo. Later, Wallin reportedly told the auditors that she actually met with the President and CEO of a Fund Management Company, to discuss Senate reform - with no mention of the Museum visit.

Outside of the appropriateness of discussing Senate reform with the CEO of a Fund Management company, and billing that to the taxpayer, we'd like to point out that it shouldn't cost $1828.95 to visit a Bradford museum. There are plenty of travel options - GO Train, for example - that would be much more economical. And we're sure that if Bradford did have a Museum, Wallin would be invited to visit for free.

The article goes on to note that the Auditor had "no issue" with 73% of Wallin's claims - which means that fully 27% were questionable.

In statistics, a deviation from the norm by 4 to 5% is considered "significant." We think a deviation of 27% is outrageous.

Good Neighbours Award Nominations

The Bradford West Gwillimbury Good Neighbours campaign is looking for nominations for this year's Good Neighbours Awards, to be presented October 18, during Good Neighbours Week.

Do you know someone who has been a Good Neighbour? Whose caring attitude and generosity of spirit have made a difference in someone's life, and in the community?

Nominee:_____

Address:_____

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Phone or Email:_____

Reason for nomination:_____

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Name and phone no. of nominator:_____

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Feel free to attach additional information, and return to: Good Neighbours, c/o Town of BWG, Office of the Town Manager, Mayor & Council, 100 Dissette St., P.O. Box 100, Bradford ON L3Z 2A7 or email nominations to ***kgill@townofbwg.com*** or Good Neighbours Ambassador Sylvia Luxton, at ***sylvia.luxton@gmail.com***

Submitted photo

From right, Stephen K. Rath, Broker of Record with Royal LePage At Your Service realty, and Rita Thew present cheque for $365.12 to Alvin Belanger, for the Helping Hand Food Bank, as Royal LePage sales rep Kim Husson looks on. Funds were raised at CarrotFest, Aug. 17.

letters to the editor

A CarrotFest Thank You

To the editor: Holy Trinity High School would like to thank the community members and local businesses that helped make this year's CarrotFast Run a success.

With over 80 participants in the 9th Annual 5K timed run, we could not have asked for better weather and community involvement. Thank you to the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury and the South Simcoe Police for their support, and to the Bradford Print Shoppe for technical support for our advertising.

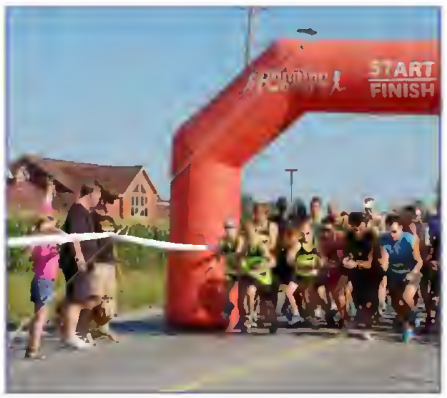
Once again, thank you to our volunteers, for set up, registration, on-course assistance and the Awards ceremony, helping to make this event run smoothly.

A very special thank-you to Craig and Cheryl McLaughlin and to Anne Nadon, who organized the sponsorships, race route and registration of athletes.

And congratulations to Jose Carvalho, who led the race and complete the Run in 16:23:0 - and to all of the athletes.

For complete race results and information on next year's 10th Anniversary CarrotFast Run, see ***www.carrotfastrun.com***

Holy Trinity High School



60th Anniversary at the Lefroy-Belle Ewart Legion

The Lefroy Belle Ewart Legion celebrates its **60th Anniversary** on Friday, September 6 and Saturday, September 7 – starting at 4 p.m. on Friday., with a BBQ from 5 to 6:30 p.m., and entertainment by Adam Timoon. Admission is free – all are welcome. The celebration continues on Saturday, with a fabulous Banquet, and surprises! Please RSVP for the Banquet by **August 31**; contact Bev Pring at 705-456-0704.

Coming up: Spaghetti & home-made sauce, Caesar Salad, and service with an Italian flare: the Legion's annual **Italian Dinner** will be taking place on Saturday, September 21. Get your tickets early – this evening always sells out quickly.

At the Danube Centre

The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre is located at 715 Simcoe Rd., south of Bradford. Many programs and groups will be returning in September, after a summer break. For information on programs and events, call 905-775-0612.

Coming up:

The Danube Centre is trying something new, on Saturday, September 21 - a **Potluck Luncheon** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with entertainment by the Cool Country Cats Bluegrass band. What's for lunch? Who knows? Whatever members bring in to share!

Correction

See one thing, input another... Of course the Beeton Fall Fair takes place September 13-15, and not in August as incorrectly inputted in a letter from Mike Deakin last week. Our error.

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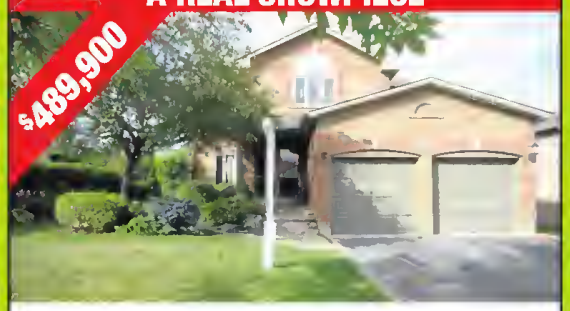

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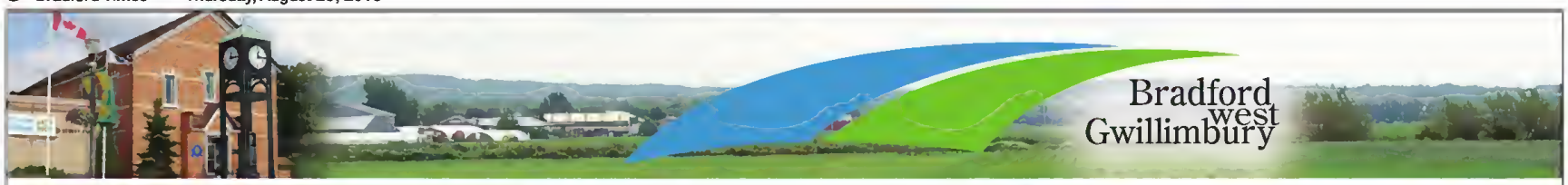

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For further information or to request a deputation, please contact the Clerk's Division.

Regular Meetings of Council & Committee of the Whole – Council Chambers, 425 Holland St. W.

- Tues. Sept 3 @ 7:00 p.m. (Zima Room, BWG Library & Cultural Centre)

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee of Adjustments
Wed. Sept 11 @ 6:30 p.m., Zima Rm. BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland St. W.

Downtown Revitalization Committee
Wed. Sept 12 @ 7:00 p.m., Boardroom, 305 Barrie St.

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Wednesdays:

Tales for Twos (2 yrs)	9:45 - 10:15 am
Storytime (ages 3-6)	9:45 - 10:15 am
Tales for Twos (2 yrs)	10:45 - 11:15 am
Storytime (ages 3-6)	10:45 - 11:15 am

Thursdays:

Creepers (up to 12 mos.)	9:45 - 10:15 am
Storytime (ages 3-6)	9:45 - 10:15 am
Walkers (12-23 mos.)	10:45 - 11:15 am
Storytime (ages 3-6)	10:45 - 11:15 am

Fridays:
Babytime – Creepers and Walkers 9:45 – 10:15am

How to Register:
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Fall Programs include: Creative Activities, Fem Power and Kids Groove Music. FREE programs include Family Saturdays, Drop-In Lego, Chess Club, Reading Buddies, PA Day Movies and Teen Advisory Group.

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NOTICES

Safe Student Accommodation 101: 10 Tips For A Safe Place To Live

As students prepare to move into shared or rented accommodations to attend college or university, parents, guardians and students themselves should take an active role in finding a safe place to live. It is essential for caregivers and students to talk about fire and life safety. Whether returning to school or leaving home for the first time, a discussion about good fire safety practices can help to ensure this exciting time in a student's life is not marred by a fire tragedy.

Living Safely 101 - What Every Student Should Know to Prevent Fire

1. Look While You Cook: Stay in the kitchen when cooking – especially if using oil or high temperatures. If a pot catches fire, have a proper-fitting pot lid handy to slide over the pot and turn off the stove. Cooking requires constant attention. Distractions like televisions, cell phones, or computers can lead to a tragic cooking fire.
2. Candle with Care: If you use candles in your room or apartment, keep them away from anything that can burn and place them in a safe, sturdy holder with a glass shade or hurricane chimney. Place them where they cannot be knocked over and blow them out when leaving the room.
3. Keep An Eye On Excessive Drinkers: Alcohol is a common factor in many fire fatalities involving cooking and smoking. Be aware of roommates and friends who have been drinking excessively, especially if they are cooking or smoking.
4. Smoke Outside: Establish rules for smokers. If you permit smoking inside, use large, sturdy ashtrays that can't be easily tipped over. Ashtrays should be emptied into a metal container not the garbage can. Check around furniture cushions after people have been smoking, especially if they have been drinking.
5. Use Electricity Wisely: Toasters, coffeemakers and microwaves should be plugged directly into an outlet. If you must use an extension cord, buy one that is the correct gauge for the appliance and has a CSA or ULC approval mark on the label. CSA or ULC approved power bars may be used for stereo equipment, computers and lights.
6. Clear the Clutter: Keep things that burn away from heat sources like stovetops, space heaters and electronic equipment. Tea towels and paper too close to burners can catch fire. Keep space heaters at least one metre away from bedding, furniture and curtains.
7. Working Smoke Alarms: It's the Law: Your room or apartment must have working smoke alarms. Test them monthly and notify the landlord immediately if they're not working. Dead batteries must be replaced right away. Nuisance alarms can be avoided by making sure smoke alarms are not located too close to the kitchen or bathroom. Consider getting a smoke alarm with a hush feature. Smoke alarms should be checked after any extended absence such as Christmas break and reading week. Never tamper with or disable a smoke alarm.
8. Plan To Escape: Know two ways out of your room or apartment in case of fire. Identify all exits and make sure you can use them. If you live in a highrise, familiarize yourself with the building's fire safety plan. If you discover fire, call the fire department from a safe location outside.
9. Be Equipped: To stay safe, all students should put together a package that includes a smoke alarm and carbon monoxide alarm, a battery powered lantern or flashlight and radio, extra batteries and a CSA or ULC approved power bar.

For further information on fire safety and prevention, call the Fire Prevention Division of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Fire Department at (905) 775-7311 Ext. 4103.

TAKE NOTICE, that the Administration Office will be closed on Monday September 2nd, 2013 and will re-open on Tuesday September 3rd, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. for the **Labour Day Holiday**.

On behalf of the Members of Council and staff we wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday.

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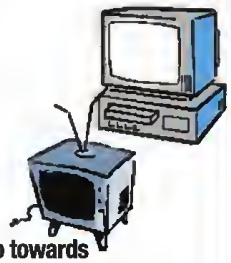

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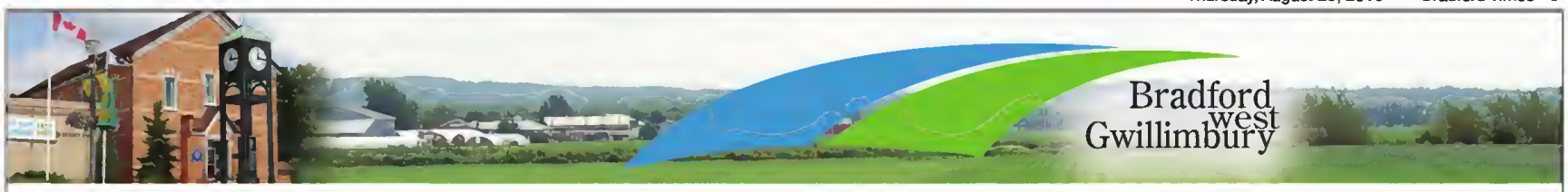

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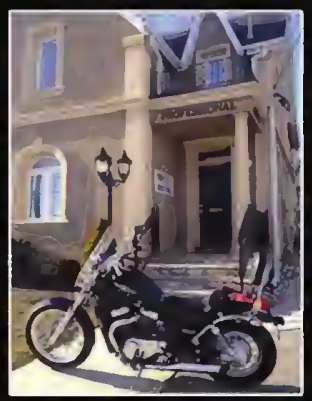

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BAC Talk coming to Bradford

Bradford Alliance Church may be a little far from the centre of town - the church is located on Simcoe Rd., at the edge of the Holland Marsh - but it is part of the heart of the community.

Now, Bradford Alliance Church is hoping to become an even more important building block, through a series of Community Information sessions, says Senior Pastor Kent Nielsen.

Inspired by the popular TED Talks online - free riveting talks on "ideas worth spreading", by exceptional leaders and thinkers - the BAC (Bradford Alliance Church) Talks will invite experts to share their ideas with the community.

"We're trying to identify needs in the community," Pastor Nielsen says, and line up the experts willing to talk on topics that will include health-related issues, technology and computer concerns, dealing with life changes, financial education, and more. Talks will take place once a month, to be followed by a Question & Answer period and refreshments at the church.

"Basically, giving them a forum to come and address the community. It's kind of like a speaker's corner," he says - but one where the speaker is knowledgeable about the "nuts and bolts" of an issue, and able to answer the questions that might arise.

The church has already held two free presentations, on Internet Security and on CPR, as a kind of pilot project for the BAC Talks.

They were well-received, and Paster Nielsen is ready to start up the monthly presentations this fall, with sessions planned for Thursday evenings, 7 to 9 p.m. Among the timely topics on the list - Internet safety, and Emergency preparedness.

"There are so many practical needs in the community," the Pastor notes - quick to point out that although the sessions are being organized and held in the church, located at 758 Simcoe Rd., the BAC Talks are secular, and open to all.

"Certainly in the church we have a spiritual message for the community," he says, but the goal is to present the message by doing, not preaching - by identifying and addressing community needs.

The ultimate goal, Nielsen says, is to "bring transformation to the community through putting boots on the ground, and meeting the concrete needs... To *give* to the community!"

The first BAC Talk will be taking place in September. Watch for details; for more information, to suggest a topic or volunteer an area of expertise, contact 905-778-0068 or email ***info@bradfordalliance.ca***

Legion's Golf Tourney

Friday Night Social Time - every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Bradford Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, 115 Back St. in Bradford. Come out and enjoy dinner for a nominal fee, then stay for music and fellowship. On the first Friday of the month it's Karaoke with Bob Serran, starting at 8 p.m. All welcome.

The **Walter Duncan Golf Tourney** takes place at Big Cedar Golf Club in Innisfil, on September 7 - tee-off at 9:30 a.m. Only $70 per player, includes golf, cart and dinner - and lots of prizes. Foursomes and singles still available. 905-775-5025. Don't miss this great morning on the links!

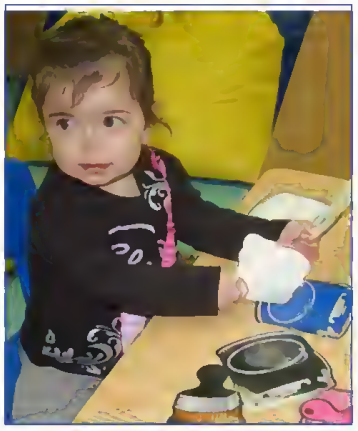
Monday Night Darts begins Sept. 9 at 7:30 at the Branch - all welcome. Only $10 per month, and you don't have to be a member of the Legion to play. The **Thursday Night Fun Darts** League begins its new season on Sept. 12, at 7:30 p.m. - $50 for the whole season. Everyone welcome.

Heritage Home Tour!

The Bradford West Gwillimbury Local History Association is holding a self-directed Heritage Home Tour on Saturday, September 14, from 1 to 4 p.m. - featuring entry to 6 historic homes, the Auld Kirk church in the "Scotch Settlement" on the 6th Line, and a refreshment stop at the home of Ron and Christine Orr on the 4th Line BWG, overlooking beautiful gardens and the Holland Marsh. The tour is a fundraiser for the restoration of the Auld Kirk church, built in 1869.

Tickets are only $15 per person, and are available at the Bradford Farmers' Market, 425 Holland St. West on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the History Association's booth Aug. 31 and Sept. 7. Tickets can also be purchased at Bradford Print Shoppe, Nancy's Nifty Nook, and The Pink Closet.

For information, contact *campbell_ann@rogers.com*



The Ontario Early Years Centre - Bradford Satellite, located in the Bradford West Gwillimbury Child & Family Services Building at 118 Barrie St. will be reopening its doors on Tuesday, September 3.
The Ontario Early Years Centre provides age-appropriate resources, toys and free programs for pre-school children ages 0-5, as well as information and resources for parents and caregivers. For more information see www.simcoecommunityservices.ca and click on the Early Years button, on call 905-775-3039 ext. 229.

In Photo, Ava, 23 months, discovers the fun of colour, at the Bradford Ontario Early Years Centre.

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Inviting Earth Rangers to the party

Twins Brook and Mason celebrated their 10th Birthday on August - but instead of an ordinary party, with presents, they asked their guests to make a donation to Earth Rangers instead, to save the polar bears.

"We saw the commercial on TV, and I asked my sister if she'd like to donate money instead of getting presents," said Brook. "We feel bad for the polar bears. The ice is melting and melting."

"I feel bad for them," agreed Mason. "Polar bears look like really cute creatures, and I feel really bad for them."

They contacted Earth Rangers to register their fundraiser, and received a package containing a participation form, coupons for Pizza Pizza, and thank-you notes - and collected about $150, from their guests and family members.

They even made a "Pin the Tail on the Polar Bear" game, in keeping with the theme of the party.

The girls and their young guests all are fond of animals, although their favourite creatures were surprising.

"Owls," said Aleks.

"Besides house pets, like cats and dogs - the snow tiger!" said Christina.

"Dolphins," said Mason.

"Besides dragons - a great blue whale," said Maggie.

"Hippo," said Brook. "They just seem interesting."

"Alligator gar," said Kathryn - referring to the primitive and fierce-looking fish, that grows up to 3 metres in length, and is now threatened by over-fishing and loss of breeding habitat.

Earth Rangers have a number of "Bring Back the Wild" projects, inviting kids to get involved, and support important research. The non-profit organization has a goal of educating and inspiring children about the environment.

As Mason noted, presents are nice, but the donations can make a difference. "It's the better thing to do."

Art blossoms at Bradford Art School

Photo by Brea Bartholet, Special to The Bradford Times

Ribbon-cutting at The Bradford Art School Inc., Aug. 24 - Lindsay Provenzano, right, is joined by friends, family, Bradford Board of Trade President James McNeill, Mayor Doug White, MP Peter Van Loan.

by Brea Bartholet and Miriam King

Bradford has come a long way from the hockey-and-soccer-town it has always been.

Not only is there a popular annual Studio Art Tour, coming up in September; a Bradford Arts Guild; and the Neil Glass Gallery on John St. East - the Town now has a new Art School.

The Bradford Art School Inc. officially opened its doors at 126 Bridge St. on Saturday, August 24 - the brainchild of Lindsay Provenzano, founder and creative director, who after 10 years with the Woodbridge Art School decided to branch out on her own.

It took Provenzano about a year to realize her dream and put everything together - but the school is now open, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 5 to 8 p.m., and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., offering classes for kids ages 3 and a half and older, in the visual arts.

Weekly art classes are offered from September to December, in sketching, pen and ink, pencil crayon, watercolour painting, cartooning and more. The school also offers 4-week programs in cartooning and animation, and fashion illustration, as well as half-day KinderArt, birthday parties, and Art Camps.

Lindsay and Anthony Provenzano received congratulations from MP Peter Van Loan, the Bradford Board of Trade, and Mayor Doug White, at the grand opening.

There was a unique ceremony, to mark the occasion: everyone was invited to dip a finger in paint, and add a "leaf" to a painting of a bare tree - symbolizing the growth and blossoming of the arts, at The Bradford Art School.

The Bradford Art School, 126 Bridge St., Unit 7, can be reached at ***www.bradfordartschool.com*** or 905-551-5600.

Notice of Public Consultation on the Proposed Licence Transfer of Bradford Valley in Bradford

A proposal has been submitted to the **Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC)** for approval to transfer the licences of 8 long-term care homes, including the licence of Bradford Valley, a 246-bed long-term care home in Bradford, Ontario, from **Specialty Care Inc.** to **The Royale Development GP Corporation as general partner of The Royale Development LP**.

In accordance with the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*, public opinion is being sought prior to a final decision being made relating to this matter. If you have comments or opinions relating to this matter and would like to bring them to the attention of the MOHLTC, you may:

1. Submit them in writing by **October 2, 2013** to:

   Director under the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007*
   Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
   Performance Improvement and Compliance Branch
   1075 Bay Street, 11th Floor
   Toronto, ON M5S 2B1
   e-mail: LTCHomes.Licensing@ontario.ca
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   - OR -

2. Present them orally at a public meeting, to be held on **Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at the Holland Landing Community Centre, Dalhousie Room, 19513 Yonge Street, Holland Landing, Ontario.**

Please include the name of the long-term care home and quote **Project #013-14** on all written submissions.

The Director will consider all submissions before making a final decision relating to this matter.

Ontario

International language programs this Fall

The Simcoe County District School Board is offering a free International Languages Program for elementary school students - and starting in the fall, a new credit language program for secondary school students. The elementary student program will run from September/October 2013, to May 2014, Saturday mornings at the Bradford Learning Centre. Languages taught will include Farsi, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Russian, Spanish, Tamil and Urdu. The program is free to any student in grades 1 through 8; register online at *www.thelearningcentres.com/learning-centres-programs/international-languages-program*

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Community comes together for Madi

Madi, seated, receives donation from the Cavros Hair Studio team - from right, Carla and Rocco, 7 year-old Tiago, Cady, and Alessandro. The Studio raised $1050, with its fundraising Cut-athon at CarrotFest.

Madison Vanstone has started taking Kalydeco, a radical new drug developed by Vertex that can "correct" the gene mutation in 3 to 4% of patients with Cystic fibrosis.

It's not that she and her family have raised the full $60,000 needed to pay for the drug - the actual cost is $300,000, but the family's insurer has agreed to pay 50%, and Vertex will co-pay 30%.

It was that Madi's lung function was deteriorating so rapidly, that her physician decided to start her on the drug, with the understanding that the family will continue to fundraise, to cover the cost.

The elementary school student started taking Kalydeco about a month ago and, says mom Beth, "It's like a different kid." The devastating headaches are gone, and Madi's breathing has eased so much that, even before testing, Beth says, the improvement is "100%."

So far the family has raised about one-third of the cost - but they received another boost from the community at CarrotFest.

The Carrot Cake Contest and Cake Auction at Nancy's Nifty Nook raised $765, to be divided between Madi Vanstone, and Tayah Fairbrother - a little girl battling cancer.

And over at Cavros Hair Studio, a Cut-athon offered haircuts for $20, and raised a whopping $1,050.

The fundraising will continue - but so will the pressure on the Provincial government, to fund the life-saving treatment.

Cystic Fibrosis Canada has called on Canada's Premiers, at their Council of the Federation meeting in Niagara-on-the-Lake this July, to approve and fund the drug Kalydeco (TM). CFC noted that the gene therapy is effective in about 4% of CF patients - which translates into 100 patients in Canada - and has been approved by Health Canada.

Kalydeco is available in the US, through private insurance or Medicaid, and in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland - but is currently not on the approved drug list in Ontario. The cost is seen as prohibitive, although the provinces, led by Alberta Health, are negotiating with Vertex, as part of the pan-Canadian Pricing Alliance process.

Beth Vanstone is promising to continue to fundraise, and to keep up the pressure on Madison's behalf. "We've been fighting since she was 8 months old. We're not giving up now."

Fundraiser for Madison

The Pat Jordan Team, at Royal LePage RCR Realty is organizing Miracles for Madi Vanstone - a fundraising family day, on September 21 at the Beeton Park. From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. enjoy live music with musical guest John McDermott of the Irish Tenors, plus a Bake Sale, Beer Garden, Silent Auction, BBQ, old-fashioned games, bouncy castles and face-painting. The funds raised will help pay for Kalydeco, a new drug that can repair the gene mutation that causes Madi's Cystic Fibrosis.

Sales reps with The Bradford Times had a booth at CarrotFest, on August 17, and gave away free popcorn all day long. They also welcomed donations on behalf of the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and the Helping Hand Food Bank - and raised over $100 for charity.

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Just 4 the Halibut!

Photos & story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

From right, Tania Da Silva, Mayor Doug White and daughter Jaclyn, and Roger Da Silva cutting the ribbon at 4The Halibut, Aug. 25.

After years of running a popular fish and chips restaurant in the Schomberg area, Tania Da Silva didn't think she wanted to start over, and do it all again.

But when the old Pete's Donut shop location on County Rd. 27 north of Bond Head at the Beeton Road, became available, she decided to go ahead. Besides, Da Silva said, "I love the people, and I love the business!"

The result is **4 the Halibut**, a family diner that is truly a labour of love.

Tania, husband Roger, their staff and crew worked hard to transform the premises - installing new counter seating, modernizing the kitchen, introducing a new colour scheme, art and photographs on the walls, and a handwritten menu that starts with breakfast, and includes favourites like hand-made burgers, souvlaki on a pita, wraps, salads, fresh-cut fries, onion rings, and of course, fish and chips.

The restaurant has been open since May - "A very soft opening, so my staff could get used to the restaurant business," Tania explained. On August 25, **4 the Halibut** held its official Grand Opening and ribbon-cutting.

Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White congratulated Tania and Roger on their hard work and dedication, thanking all those who "choose to be an entrepreneur, and choose our Town to do that... To be successful, you have to have a vision."

"It's been a pleasure coming to this area," Tania replied. "The community response has been phenomenal."

And she thanked her husband Roger for his support. "It was our project, our dream," she said, adding that everyone involved has "poured their heart and soul" into the new venture.

The restaurant was packed, with friends, family and customers for the Grand Opening. Mayor White not only presented a plaque and cut the ribbon, but took the opportunity to try his hand at fileting a piece of halibut, and cooking up his own order of fish and chips.

"He's good!" Tania said.

4 the Halibut Family Diner, located at 3231 County Rd. 27, is open Sunday to Thursday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. For information, call 905-775-4665, or see 4TheHalibut on Facebook.

At left, learning to filet!

July 31 was a big day at Mary Brown's Chicken & Taters, on Holland St. W. in Bradford. It was the 4th annual Big Mary Day in support of the Children's Wish Foundation and Special Olympics Canada, when $2 from every purchase of a Big Mary chicken sandwich was donated to charity, through the Mary Brown's Fund.

100% of all funds raised at each of the 89 Mary Brown's locations went to charity, and customers were also invited to purchase and personalize a Mary Brown's Fund "heart" by purchasing special Heart cookies. The Mary Brown's Fund was established in 2011 to support organizations that enrich the lives of kids. Since its inception, the Fund has contributed more than $300,000 to organizations across the country.

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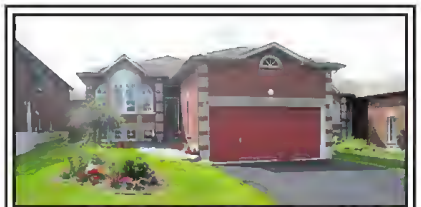

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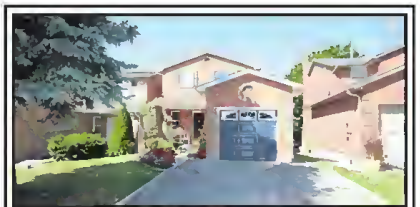

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Activities in Horticulture & Nature

Learn about the **Fall Migration** at the Kortright Centre for Conservation, 9550 Pine Valley Drive south of Major Mackenzie. Migrating birds and butterflies, a visit to the Canadian Peregrine Falcon site and information on Raptors, Saturday and Sunday, September 7 and 8 at the Centre, at 1 and 2:30 p.m. For more information see ***www.kortright.org***

The **Gilford & District Horticultural Society** meets at the Churchill Community Centre on Monday, September 9, starting at 7:30 p.m. Guest speakers Kate Brewitt and Terry Laurin, of the Re-blooming Iris Society of North America, will speak on Iris types that have more than one bloom season per year. Irises will be available for sale. All are welcome to attend, in the wheelchair accessible Community hall.

York-Simcoe Naturalists return for the season starting Tuesday, Sept. 10 - 7:30 p.m. at the River Drive Park Community Centre, 20 Oak Ave. in River Drive Park (off Queensville SR, north of Holland Landing). Guest speaker will be Deborah Silver, of Ontario Streams. All welcome - bring a mug for refreshments. For more information see *facebook.com/YorkSimcoeNaturalists*

On Saturday, Sept. 14, the Gilford & District Horticultural Society hosts its **Fall Flower & Vegetable Show and Tea** at the Churchill Community Centre. Members should bring in entries before 11 a.m., in Annual, Perennial, Vegetable, Herb and Floral Design Categories. The Show and Tea are open to the Public from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Tea is $5 per person.

The Friends of Scanlon Creek are holding **"Run for the Trails"** at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area on Sunday, Sept. 22 - a 5K route through the scenic woods at Scanlon. There will also be a 1K Kids' Run. Registration is $40 adults, $20 kids until Sept. 15. Register online at ***www.runningroom.com*** or contact Judy Milner at 905-895-1281 ext. 241.

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Very Dairy, at the Barrie Fair

In photo, Cookstown 4-H Dairy winners, from left, Isaac Borland, Matt Lange, Julian Maltby and Emily Lange with trophies - and Cookstown Agricultural Society member Dorothy Lange with Trophy won by Matt Lange as champion Cookstown Showperson.

FAIR, from Page 1

The 4-H Dairy Show at the Barrie Fair attracted a good turn-out of young 4-H members.

SHOWMANSHIP

Peewee (Pre-4-H) - 1st, Glenn Tracey of Barrie; 2nd - James Rundle of Churchill.

Novice Showmanship (12 & under) - 1st - Jack Lange, 2nd Emily Lange, 3rd Grace Finch, 4th Emma Finch, 5th Braden Lloyd, 6th Annemarie Horton.

Jr. Showmanship (ages 13-14) - 1st - Matt Lange, 2nd Mickie Brechin, 3rd Allie Dolan, 4th Graham Reid, 5th Morgan McCarthy, 6th Sadie Holmes.

Intermed. Showmanship (15-17) - 1st Taylor Nelson, 2nd Julian Maltby, 3rd Isaac Borland, 4th Megan Wright, 5th Emily Stephenson, 6th Heather Rose.

Senior Showmanship (18-21) - 1st - Morgan Baker, 2nd - Emily Nelson, 3rd - Eric Wright, 4th Rachel Stephenson, 5th Owen Wright, 6th Nicole Clarke, 7th Tina Davenport.

Champion Dairy Showperson - Morgan Baker, ***Reserve*** - Matt Lange, Hon. Mention - Emily Nelson.

CONFORMATION

Jr. Heifer Calf - 1st - Emily Lange with Langlands Braxton "Kiss", 2nd - Taylor Nelson with Wridale Sanchez "Gina"

Intermed. Heifer - 1st - Braden Lloyd, 2nd - Emily Nelson with Century Star Lexicon Shimmer.

Senior Heifer - 1st - Morgan Baker with Earincliffe Redliner Red; 2nd - Matt Lange with Langlands Ladner Moxie.

Summer Yearling/Jr. Yearling - 1st - Isaac Borland with Hill Sid; 2nd - Eric Wright with Wrico Claudius Oprah.

Champion Calf - Emily Lange, Reserve - Morgan Baker, Hon. Mention - Braden Lloyd.

Above, Champion Dairy Showperson Morgan Baker, with Reserve Calf. Left, Champion Showperson in the 4-H Sheep competition, Brenleigh Jebb.

Fall Fairs and Festivals!

The Gilford Hall will be the scene of this year's **JAKESTOCK** summer music festival, on Sunday, September 1. This year, the Festival will raise funds to support the Hall's operations, maintenance and improvements. Highlights include live music, a bouncy castle and slide for the children, face-painting, Silent Auction, display by Innisfil Fire & Rescue, and food - BBQ'd hot dogs and hamburgers, corn on the cob, and a pig roast! Gates open at noon, and the festival will continue until 11 p.m. - rain or shine. Admission is $10 per person, including 1 food ticket, or $20 per family (incl. 2 food tickets).

The **Kettleby Fall Fair** takes place in Kettleby Village, at the Tyrwhitt Conservation Area. One day only - Saturday, September 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The park is filled with children's games and activities, vendors, Arts & Crafts, with live entertainment on the main stage all day. Huge Fair Parade at noon. Free parking and shuttlebus.

September 7, enjoy the **Caribbean South Asian Showcase,** at Newmarket Riverwalk Commons, 200 Doug Duncan Drive, from 12 to 6 p.m. Music, food, dance - for more information, see ***www.ranjisinghfoundation.org***

Newmarket hosts **NewBARKet** - a dog-friendly family event, Saturday and Sunday, September 7 and 8 at Lions Park, 424 D'Arcy St. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission, for booths, demonstrations and activities.

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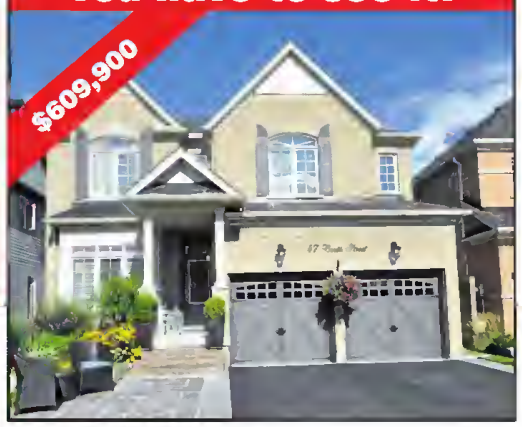

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Fall Registration!

Getting ready for the Autumn

At the end of June, summer seemed to stretch out like an endless sandy shoreline, with the end barely visible in the hazy distance.

Now, that end is almost here. The Labour Day long weekend is the final long weekend of the season - marking a divide between summer and back-to-school, let's-get-down-to-business autumn.

Time to get ready for school, time to sign up for fall and winter sports, look at new leagues, new courses, new programs that will help students excel - and their parents achieve, meet their challenges, and their goals.

So, why not explore some of the options available for all ages - through the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Leisure Services and a large number of local businesses and organizations.

Back to School cycling safety

The days are getting shorter, kids will soon be returning to school - and the South Simcoe Police Service is offering a number of safety tips for cyclists of all ages.

Always wear a helmet. Bike helmets reduce serious head injury by 85%. A properly-fitted and approved helmet is mandatory for all cyclists under the age of 18 - but adults should wear a helmet as well, to prevent brain injury and set a good example for kids!

Always signal your intention. Cyclists should learn hand signals: other users of the road need to know if you are stopping or turning.

Walk your bike across the road. Walk the bicycle across the street at crosswalks - and unless you are on a tot-sized bike, do not ride on the sidewalk.

All bicycles are required to have a bell or horn. Some cyclists even use a whistle to be noticed!

Ride with traffic. Ride single file in the same direction as traffic, as far to the right as is safely possible.

Lights are required at night. Every bicycle ridden at night **must** have a light and reflectors. Light-coloured or reflective clothing is also a good idea.

Bradford School of Dance

Choosing a dance school can be a difficult decision. Most schools offer a wide variety of programs and have comparable fees. The difference lies in the curriculum, facility, and the qualifications of the Faculty.

At The Bradford School of Dance, great care has been given in selecting the right instructors for each dance style, age and level. Our Primary and Kinderdance programs are taught by specialists in Early Childhood development, who offer careful attention to building social skills, movement and music comprehension. The goal is to empower students, with confidence and a love of dance - while maintaining an atmosphere of fun.

Ballet, Jazz, Contemporary, Lyrical, Street Styles, Tap, Acro or Musical Theatre - there is a program that is right for each student. Whether the choice is a class once a week, or the Intensive Training Program, each dance style will include proper technique and inspiring choreography.

Miss Jane Pound, Founder and Artistic Director, has been teaching dance for over 35 years. She is joined by Miss Hilary Whittaker, Director of Operations, in offering a great dance experience.

For information or to register, see ***www.bradfordschoolofdance.com***

Fall Registration!

Discover the Joy, at Bradford Academy of Music

September is the ideal time to benefit from music studies at the Bradford Academy of Music. And it is best to start music at a very early age, for kids to get the full benefit. Lessons can also help earn credits for high school, college or university.

Programs are available for ages 3 and up, at the Academy - the Kindernotes program provides music lessons for very young children ages 3 to 5 - including private classes to accommodate students' needs. Bradford Academy of Music offers private and group instruction in piano, guitar, violin, drums, bands, choir, vocal, instrument ensembles, and the ultimate School of Rock.

The Bradford Academy of Music is one of the largest music schools in Simcoe County - a school that has been providing music education for students in Bradford for 27 years. The Academy, at 448 Holland St. West, includes a music store, selling instruments, and a wide selection of music books - with a 15% discount to all local instructors. The Academy will redeem all competitors' coupons.

The best reason for taking music lessons? Many studies have shown that learning to play a musical instrument involves the use of 90% of the brain. No other activity comes close to that level of brain activity, utilising both sides of the brain. Music lessons also improve discipline, improve math skills, improve self-image, co-ordination and dexterity - and above all, stimulate intellectual development.

And there is the joy of learning a skill, that can be shared to the delight of all... When the toys are gone, Music still remains!

For more information, or a free personal music evaluation, call the Bradford Academy of Music at 905-775-6603 or visit the website, ***www.bradfordacademyofmusic.com***

Young B-boys, with Elite Dance Corps, wowed the crowd at this year's CarrotFest, on the Main Stage at The Village Inn, August 17. Dancers with the school provided demonstrations of tap, jazz, Acro, lyrical, ballet and other dance genres - including Hip Hop and break-dancing.

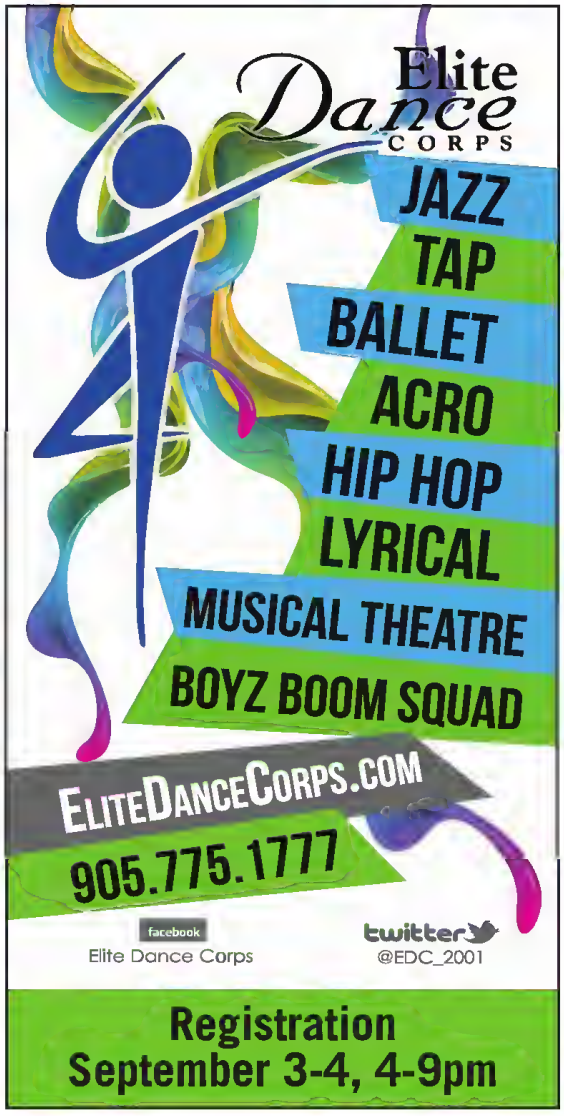
Scouting!

1st Bradford Scouting will be holding a Registration day on Wednesday, September 4 in the Community Corner of the new BWG Leisure Centre, on West Park Ave., from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Stop by if paying by cash or cheque; if paying registration fees by credit card, you can register online at any time, at ***myscouts.ca***

Babysitting

A Baby Sitting Course is being offered on Saturday, September 21 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Contact Anita Horlings at Simple First Aid, 905-775-8024, or ***anita@simplefirstaid.ca***



Fall Registration!

eLifestyle challenge: Get Fit BWG!

Leah Epstein is a personal trainer, as well as an expert in nutrition and fitness - a holistic approach to health and wellness that led her to launch Equilibrium Lifestyle Management Inc., 9 years ago. The company specialized in providing in-home training, and nutrition advice tailored to the customer

When she met and married husband Robb Armstrong, also a certified personal trainer, the business expanded, to provide its fitness and wellness services in both Toronto, and in Muskoka - setting up eLifestyle programs at some well-known resorts and spas.

Three years ago, the couple moved to Bradford - midway between their Toronto and cottage-country clients - and began to look for ways to get involved in their new community.

When Leah gave birth to son, Zane, 18 months ago, that brain-storming took on a new urgency.

"We know Bradford's a big commuter town. We wanted something to bring the community together," Epstein says - something that would promote the community, local businesses, local products, and be fun.

The result: the Get Fit BWG Challenge - a 12-week challenge, starting September 9, that invites residents to sign up to reach their weight-loss goals, and win prizes.

The Get Fit BWG Challenge is based on eLifestyle's weight loss program, modified for Bradford. Participants who register online at ***www.GetFitBWG.com*** will get a customized fitness regiment, personalized meal plans and shopping lists, even a list of healthy meal choices at local Bradford restaurants. There is a $99 charge (taxes included, until September 1) - and winners will be determined based on weight loss as a percentage of original body weight.

Prizes include in-home training packages from eLifestyles, and a $300 Gift Certificate from Be Well Chiropractic & Wellness Centre, for any of Be Well's services. There will also be prizes for involvement and participation.

Those who are already on a weightloss program can sign up for only $15, to be eligible for the prizes - and those who don't want to be part of the formal challenge can follow along on Facebook.

"It's just a fun thing for the community. We want to promote being well, eating healthily," Epstein explains, with an emphasis on local food. She recently set up a booth at the Bradford Farmers' Market, promoting the challenge - a perfect fit

"Already, we're getting a really nice community feeling. That really makes us feel so good, that we can give something to the community," Epstein says. "We're passionate about this!"

Learn more about Equilibrium Lifestyle Management Inc. and the Get Fit BWG Challenge at ***elifestyle.ca/get-fit-bwg*** or ***www.GetFitBWG.com*** ELifestyle will be back at the Bradford Farmers' Market, 425 Holland St. West, this Saturday, Aug. 31 - drop by!

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On the greens... Charity Golf Tourneys

The Rotary Club of Innisfil 2nd annual Charity Golf Tourney - Weds., September 4 at Innisbrook Golf Club, 10 SR and the 11th Line of Innisfil. Registration at 10 a.m., shot-gun start at 11a.m. Only $100 per golfer for 18 holes of golf, steak dinner, contests for top team, longest drive and closest to the hole, putting contest, gift bags and prizes. To book, or sponsor a hole, contact Chris Hogey at 705-896-4634. For credit card payment, call Innisbrook GC at 705-721-9210.

The 4th annual Golf like MADD Fall Classic Golf Tourney, to benefit Mothers Against Drunk Driving - Barrie Simcoe Chapter, takes place Friday, Sept. 20 at Innisbrook Golf Club. $125 per golfer. See ***madd.ca***

Runs & Walkathons

Sunday, September 8, the **Superwalk for Parkinson Disease** takes place at Fairy Lake Park in Newmarket, with registration at 9:30 a.m., at the Pavilion. For more information, see ***www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca***

The **Shoppers Drug Mart Weekend to End Women's Cancers**, benefitting Princess Margaret Hospital's Cancer Foundation, is a 2-day, 60K Walk - or, new this year, a 1-day, 32K trek. The event takes place September 7 and 8. For more information, see ***www.endcancer.ca***

Ovarian Cancer Canada's Walk of Hope takes place September 8 in Bradford at Lions Park, 226 Colborne St. - with Registration beginning at 9 a.m., 2.5K or 5K Walk starting at 10 a.m. Walkers will come back to the park for entertainment, and lunch. For more information, to sign up or to sponsor a walker, see ***ovariancancerwalkofhope.ca***

The goal is to raise funds, but also awareness of ovarian cancer - which, if caught early, has a 90% survival rate. The problem is that there is no screening test for ovarian cancer, and the signs and symptoms can be vague, and difficult to identify. Typical symptoms include bloating, abdominal or pelvic pain, difficulty eating, frequent urination, back pain, constipation and fatigue. Every year, more than 2,600 Canadian women will be diagnosed with ovarian cancer, and every year, over 1,750 women will die of the disease.

The **Scotiabank AIDS Walk for Life** takes place on Sunday, September 22 in Toronto, hosted by the AIDS Committee of Toronto. Registration begins at 11 a.m. at the corner of Church and Carleton Sts. See www.aidswalkforlife.ca to sign up or for details.

The **Terry Fox Run**, benefitting the Terry Fox Foundation, will take place on Sunday, September 15. In Bradford, the 2.5K, 5K and 10K Run/Walk will start and finish at the new BWG Leisure Centre on West Park Ave. - with registration at 9 a.m., Opening Ceremonies at 9:45 a.m., and the Run/Walk starting at 10 a.m. Runners, walkers, cyclists, rollerbladers and wheelchairs are welcomed to participate - and to enjoy the activities at the Leisure Centre, from a bouncy castle, to face-painting, and a BBQ. See ***www.terryfox.org*** for details or to pre-register - and call organizer Elsie Silva at 905-251-3214, to volunteer for an event that has raised over $125,000 locally, over the past 15 years. The Terry Fox Foundation is proud of its contributions to cancer research - with 84 cents out of every dollar going to research.

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Fall Registration!

Active Transportation!

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury had a "Trails Committee", established to help develop a network of trails in the municipality.

Over time, the committee has evolved, into the Town's Active Transportation Committee, focusing on all modes of human -powered transportation, including cycling, walking, running, in-line skating, skateboarding, skiing, wheelchairs.

"Active Transportation" recognizes the health benefits of physical activity, as well as the reduction in traffic congestion and environmental benefits of trail use.

The committee has been working on a comprehensive plan to facilitate the various modes of human-powered transportation - including proposals for new bike lanes, education campaigns to encourage both motorists and cyclists to safely share the road, and developing a network of inter-linking trails.

The committee had a booth at Carrotfest, where members handed out pamphlets promoting the 3 new trails in Town: Kuzmich Memorial Park to the BWG Leisure Centre; the Leisure Centre to Dreamfields Park north of the 8th Line; and Lions Park to the Leisure Centre.

They also invited residents to fill out a short questionnaire, for a chance to win an original painting by Committee member Meade Helman.

For more information, go to the Town website and visit ***Town Hall/ Leisure Services/ ActiveTransportation/ index.htm***

Meade Helman explains the plans of the Active Transportation Committee to a passer-by at CarrotFest, Aug. 17.

SU: A new hockey option

Have your kids been begging to join a hockey team - but you worry about the cost, the amount of travel, and their safety? There's a new option coming to the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury in September.

Scripture Union Canada, in collaboration with local churches, is launching a brand-new hockey program for kids ages 7 to 12. The new SU League will provide an excellent opportunity for kids to learn the game of hockey, with high quality instruction, in a safe, fun, affordable league.

Every Saturday morning, between 7:30 and 9:30 a.m., players will gear up and head onto the ice for an hour of instruction. Lines are then divided according to age and skill level, and players participate in a game for the second hour.

The players will benefit from skill-building and lots of ice time - and will learn valuable life lessons, including team work, perseverance and more.

The new league begins September 21, at the BWG Leisure Centre every Saturday from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., to March 8. Children of all levels are welcomed - even those who haven't quite mastered the art of skating!

For more information, visit ***www.scriptureunion.ca/ hockey*** or call Tommy Jeong at 905-427-4947.

AWANA, for kids

Kids - looking to have fun, meet new friends, and learn about the Bible? AWANA children's program will be offered starting Wednesday, Sept. 25 at St. John's Presbyterian Church, for kids in SK to Grade 6, Weds. evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. Kids in Grades SK to 2 will participate in Sparks; the T&T Program is for grades 3 to 6 . Cost is $75 per child - $60 per child for families with more than 3 children. Register at ***ctministries.ca***

BRADFORD Soccer House of the Eagles

FALL AND WINTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Competitive Player Development

The Bradford soccer club for the fall/winter is pleased to be running a competitive/ development indoor program. This program is for players from U8-U17 that have played at the competitive level, and want to develop their skills so they can improve their game. For players who have not played at the competitive level and would like to enroll in this program they will need to go through an evaluation which will be held by the clubs Technical Director. The program will be coached by qualified OSA certified coaches and supervised by Georgio Trikkas UEFA A Level Coach

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Player Development Program

The Bradford Soccer Club is please to present our Fall/Winter Development Program. This program will focus on providing recreational soccer to all the players that want to play soccer and have fun but also develop their skills. The program will be run by quality OSA certified coaches (not volunteers) and over seen by the clubs Technical Director Georgio Trikkas.

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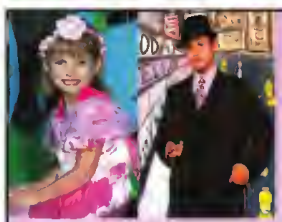

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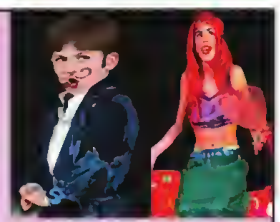

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Both children's and Adult programs are designed to allow new students to start at any level of fitness, progress at their own speed, and learn in a family atmosphere, where everyone is supportive, especially of new students. Sensei Jennings is currently the Head Coach of the Ontario Karate Team. Manager, Sensei Trish Jennings is a former National Team member and 6th degree black belt. For information, visit ***www.jenningskarate.com***

Wilson Kickboxing, at Jennings

Mirroring K-1 rules, with a strong focus on the stand up aspect of MMA (Mixed Martial Arts), Wilson Kickboxing offers top-notch instruction in kickboxing techniques and take-down defense, all while providing a second-to-none fitness regimen. It is the "real deal"!

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Wilson Kickboxing first opened in 2009, with the idea of developing into a competitive club. Recognizing the need for a genuine kickboxing program in Bradford, former Twin Dragon kick-boxer Trevor Wilson introduced the concept - and today, is actively training both competitive and fitness enthusiasts.

This is real kickboxing for those looking to study the genuine art; it is NOT a kickboxing aerobics class.

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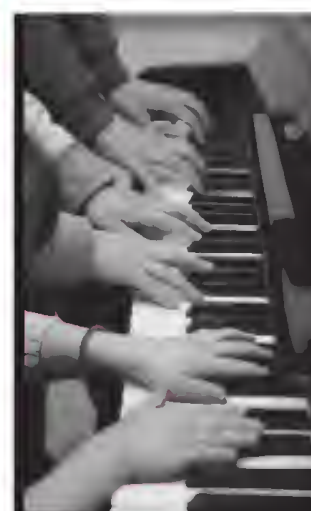

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Thurs Sept 5th 8-9:30pm
Sat Sept 7th 3-4:30pm
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Juvenile Program

Birth years 1993/1994/1995
General Meeting
Mon Sept 9th 7:30pm
BLC Activity Room
For info or register contact vpoperations @bradfordbulldogs.com

PRE-TYKE
Ages 4-5
Saturday mornings 9am & 10am BLC Blue Rink
10 sessions (Sept-Dec) • 10 sessions (Jan-Mar)
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INTRO TO HOCKEY
Development program for those with a late start in hockey
35 minutes skill development
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Ages 6-10
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Walk-in Registration Dates

Tues Sept 3rd 7-9:30pm
Thurs Sept 5th 5-8pm
Mon Sept 9th 5:30-7:30pm
Thurs Sept 12th 5:30-7:30pm
@ BWMGHA Hockey Office
2nd Floor Bradford Leisure Centre
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For over 75 years, the Bradford Minor Hockey Association has offered hockey programs for local boys and girls. This year the Association is pleased to once again offer our very successful development programs. All BWGMHA development programs are run by professional powerskating instructors and certified Hockey Canada volunteers.

Our Pre-Tyke program is the best way to introduce your child to the game of hockey. Three to five year olds will be taught important hockey fundamentals in a safe and fun environment, with a high ratio of instructors to students. At only $100 for the session, this is the lowest cost of any on-ice program in the region.

For players who have had a later start in the game, check out the Intro to Hockey Program - geared towards players in the 6 to 10 age range, but open to any new player. Over 75% of Intro students have graduated to play in the Simcoe Region Local League hockey system. Intro sessions focus on individual skill development drills, followed by a controlled, fun game.

BWGMHA understands that hockey can be a big commitment for a busy family. That's why the Association is introducing a new Recreational Hockey Program. This once-a-week game will include warm-up drills to help continue to develop player skills, followed by a 4-on-4 game. 4-on-4 is a fun, wide-open and exciting way to play, which allows every player more time with the puck.

Come and join the fun, and discover all that Bradford Minor Hockey has to offer. It's not too late to register. For more information, see ***www.bradfordbulldogs.com*** or visit our facebook page.

Begin with Genesis Gymnastics

Genesis Gymnastics provides the Bradford Community with a safe, friendly environment for toddlers, youth, teens and adults, to learn all levels of gymnastics. Genesis Gymnastics, located at 401 Dissette St., Unit 8, also offers a venue for unique birthday parties, holiday and summer camps, and private classes for dancers and specialty programs.

Genesis takes its tone and direction from founder Donna Katz, who has been involved in the sport all of her life - starting as an athlete, then as a volunteer, and beginning in 1995, as the Director of an elite gymnastics club in York Region. What sets her apart is that she is "100% hands on." She personally coaches many classes every week, with the goal of providing top-notch service and instruction.

Genesis Gymnastics offers a free trial class for anyone who would like to see if gymnastics is the right program for their child. For more information, visit ***www.genesisgymnastics.ca*** or contact 905-775-4961 or ***donna@genesisgymnastics.ca***

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:
apryl@bradfordsportsdome.com or call 905 778 9154
2971 Sideroad 10, Bradford, ON L3Z 2A4

Sports

Bradford Minor Softball championships

On August 17 and 18, the Mite and Squirt Divisions of Bradford Minor Softball held their closing weekend playoffs in East Gwillimbury. The weather was perfect, and East Gwill was a gracious host!

MITE DIVISION

Aug. 17, Sharon Layout - 17, East Gwill Perfect Moves - 16.
A&W High Voltage - 18, Sharon Layout - 12.
John's No Frills - 12, A & W High Voltage - 10.
John's No Frills - 15, VideoQuest - 9.
VideoQuest - 15, A & W High Voltage - 11.
Aug. 18, Championship game, John's No Frills - 14, VideoQuest - 8. Congratulations to Mite Champions, John's No Frills. No Frills won't be beat!

SQUIRT DIVISION

Aug. 17, East Gwill Firefighters - 19, Bradford Lions - 13.
DoTerra -18, Paul Belchior Contracting - 17.
Paul Belchior Contracting - 14, Cedar Valley Polo Club - 10
Aug. 18, Paul Belchior Contracting - 33, DoTerra -14.
Despite the blow-out, Paul Belchior had to battle DoTerra in a second match, to secure the Squirt Championship - and did, beating DoTerra 19-13 in Game 2.

Bradford & District Minor Softball Association would like to say Congratulations to all of the Mite and Squirt teams who participated, and played so well. Thank you to the coaches, helpers and parents - and a big thank you to all of the Sponsors.

This past weekend saw the Championship games for Atom, Peewee and Bantam Divisions.

Congratulations to the following champions:

T-Ball - Bradford Dental
Atom - Bradford Home Hardware
Peewee - Stouffville Farmer Jack's
Bantam Midget - Tottenham Roadrunner Welding
Coaches: Please remember to send in your game results!

A hit for Stouffville's Pitt College, in the Peewee Semi-Final, held August 25 at the Bradford Community Centre diamonds. Stouffville played East Gwillimbury for the opportunity to meet Farmer Jack's, in the Final.

Bark for Life

Celebrate Relay for Life with your 4-legged friends, for the Canadian Cancer Society. The Society has organized Bark For Life, a canine event to fight cancer - inviting participants and their pooches to walk, and raise funds for cancer. The Bradford Bark for Life Walk will take place on Sunday, September 15 from 10 a.m. to noon at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area, off the 9th Line of BWG. Participants will receive a t-shirt, doggie bandana and swag bag. To register go to ***cancer.ca/barkforlife*** - and tell cancer it barked up the wrong tree.

Body By Vi Challenge

High School student Haven Kramer is inviting the community to discover the nutritional supplements and products of ViSalus (TM), that have helped him overcome the limitations of his Left Hemi Cerebral Palsy, build muscle tone, and improve concentration.

The Vi-Community Challenge "Project 10 Kids" invites residents to sign up with Body By Vi to "Lose It" or "Build It" - lose 10 lbs. in weight, or build 10 lbs. in muscle. Every time a goal is reached, ViSalus will donate 60 child-sized nutrition shake meal replacements or snacks to the Helping Hand Food Bank - great for back-to-school. Or Donate It - $18 provides nutritious cookies, $24 provides 60 shakes or snacks. To participate and Build It or Lose It, visit ***www.haventk.bodybyvi.com*** or call 905-716-1259. To Donate It, see ***www.shakeupyournutrition.visalusgiving.com***

Racing at Sunset

There are only 4 more weekends of stock car racing at Sunset International Speedway. Fans can watch regular Late Model, Super Stock and Mini Stock racing, August 31 and Sept. 7, leading up to the Championship Appreciation night on Saturday, Sept.14 - also a charity night, raising funds for Autism Awareness.

The final weekend of racing is September 28 and 29 - the Velocity 250 2-day event and Pro Challenge Series, and a fundraiser for Camp BUCKO, the burn camp for kids.

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SOUL SURVIVORS: A Cancer Support Community meets the 1st Weds. of the month at Trinity Anglican Church, 7:30 p.m. For cancer survivors and those currently experiencing cancer - a support group in a spiritual context, followed by a short contemplative service of healing. Contact Fr. Dan Graves, 905-775-2200.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Springdale Christian Reformed Church
1468 Sideroad #5, Bradford.
905-775-3731
Sundays 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Sunday School & Nursery
Pastor Paul VanStralen
www.springdalecrc.net

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
53 Miller Park Ave., Bradford
905-775-3412
Sunday Service:
9:00 a.m.
Rev Adrian Toms

Newton Robinson United Church
Hwy. 27 & Conc. 10 Tecumseth.
Service 9:30 a.m.

Bond Head United Church
Hwy. 88 east of Hwy. 27
Service 11 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery Available

905-775-2512

Holy Martyrs of Japan Catholic Church
167 Essa St. 8radford 905-775-2065
Masses
Sat. 5:00 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m.,10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Confessions
1/2 hour before Sunday mass.

Trinity Anglican Church
62 Church St., Bradford
(Corner of Church & James St.)
Sunday Services 10:00am
905-775-2200
trinityanglicanchurchbradford.ca

Bradford United Church
66 Barrie St.,
905-775-7268
Service -10 am
Sunday School & Nursery Available
www.bradforduc.com

St. John's Presbyterian
2940 - 10th Sideroad
(8th Lina & Middlatown SR)
905-775-7274
Sunday Service 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Nursery provided.
atjohnspresbyterian.ca

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Coulson's Hill
(NW corner of County Rd. #4 & 11th Line)
Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School with Service
289-231-3253

Bradford Alliance Church
758 Simcoe Road, Bradford
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Mid Week Home Groups
Monthly Men's Breakfast
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www.bradfordalliance.ca

Bradford Community Church
Mid-week small group
905-775-9268, located on the S.E. corner of Hwy #11 & Conc. #9
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Days 10:00 am
Priest 905-715-0105

Riverdrive Bible Chapel
905-836-1798
#20246 Bathurst (North of Hwy 11)
11:00 am - Family Bible Hour
1:00 pm Afternoon Service
7:30 pm Wed. - Prayer - Bible Study

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church
(Byzantine Rite)
16 Hearn St. Bond Head, Sunday Eucharist:
9:30am (Ukrainian), 11:30am (English)
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info@stcatherineofalexandria.ca

Bradford Baptist Church
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(2 km north of Holland St. W)
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10:30 am - English Service
10:30 am - Kids Program (Toddler-Grade 8)
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Rav. Richard Bodini
905-775-7291
E: hollandmarshcrc@rogers.com

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www.Baha'i.org

AL-ANON: Meets Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Holy Martyrs of Japan Church basement, 167 Essa St. in Bradford. For information, www.al-anon.alateen.org, wso@al-anon.org or call 1-888-4AL-ANON.

SPEAK FOR SUCCESS TOASTMASTERS: Toastmasters meet on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Tues. of each month upstairs at the new BWG Leisure Centre. 7-9 p.m. For information see www.speakforsuccess.org All welcome.

WEEKLY BINGO: Innisfil Lions Club host a weekly Bingo, Mondays. 5 p.m. doors open, 6:45 p.m. Bingo begins, at the Lions Hall on Innisfil Beach Rd., Alcona. Refreshments available. For info, call 705-436-1826.

HELP FOR IMMIGRANTS: Bradford Immigrant & Community Services (BICS) located at 11 Holland St. East offers English Language Classes for Newcomers to Canada, Settlement Assistance, Integration to the Canadian School System Program, Parenting Workshops, Translation and Interpretation services, Form completion and document help, Information and referral, advocacy and more. 905-775-3343 or see www.bradfordimmigrant.com

BWG COMMUNITY MEAL: A free hot meal and fellowship for anyone on fixed income, social assistance, struggling to make ends meet, lonely, or families trying to stretch their food budgets, at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Every Friday at 5:30 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH: 721 Simcoe Rd., Bradford. Fund- raising perogies and cabbage rolls sale every Sat. and Sun. 12 to 4 p.m. Info, call the church 905-551-1651.

WRITERS' CIRCLE: BWG Writers' Circle now meets 7-9 p.m. on the 3rd Tues. of the month, at the New Bradford Library, 425 Holland St. W. All Writers welcomed.

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SAT., SEPT. 7

KETTLEBY FALL FAIR: At Tyrwhitt Conservation Area in the village of Kettleby, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vendors, marketplace, Arts & Crafts, games and live entertainment on the main stage all day. Giant parade at noon. Free parking, and shuttlebus to the Fair.

NEWBARKET: Dog-and-family friendly event at Lions Park in Newmarket, 424 D'Arcy St., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 7 and 8. Free admission, for vendors, booths, demonstrations and activities.

CARIBBEAN SOUTH ASIAN SHOWCASE: At Newmarket Riverwalk Commons, 200 Doug Duncan Drive from 12 to 6 p.m. Music, dance, food and more. For information, see www.ranjisinghfoundation.org

BRADFORD LIONS MAMMOTH CAR DRAW: At the Bradford & District Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd. Tickets are $100 each and admit 2 to an evening that includes a Beef Buffet dinner, Dance, Charity Gaming night, and the Elimination-style draw for cash and CARS. To mark the 60th anniversary of the draw, the Lions are giving away 2 vehicles - a 2013 Chevrolet Cruze, and the grand prize of a 2013 Silverado Pick-up truck. Tickets are available from any Lion, or at selected retail outlets - but they're going fast!

FALL MIGRATION AT KORTRIGHT: Learn about the Fall Migration at the Kortright Centre for Conservation, 9550 Pine Valley Drive south of Major Mackenzie. Migrating birds and butterflies, visit to the Canadian Peregrine Falcon centre, information on Raptors, Sept. 7 and 8 at 1 and 2:30 p.m. www.kortright.org

ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETS: The Simcoe County Branch of the OGS meets at 2 p.m., at the LDS Church, 79 Ferris Lane in Barrie. Guest Speaker Sher Leetooze, on Building Your Family Story using Maps. Book table at 1:30 p.m. For info call Ken, 705-728-1170.

FINAL YARD SALE OF THE SEASON: Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford, holds its final indoor Yard Sale of the season, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Sept. 7. Come in and hunt for treasures!

SUN., SEPT. 8

PET COUNTRY ESTATE PAWS FOR A CAUSE: A fundraiser for the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guide program, held in conjunction with the Gilford and Thornton Lions C lubs. Vendors, Arts & Crafts, Huge Silent Auction, All Dogs Big & Small Parade, Charity BBQ, live entertainment by the Kempencelts, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Located on 20SR in Innisfil, between Lockhart and Mapleview Rds.

SUPERWALK FOR PARKINSON DISEASE: Walkathon at Fairy Lake Park in Newmarket, register at 9:30 a.m. For information, see www.parkinsonsuperwalk.ca

OVARIAN CANCER WALK OF HOPE : Walkathon at Bradford's Lions Park, 226 Colborne St. Registration begins at 9 a.m.; Walk begins at 10 a.m. See www.ovariancancerwalkofhope.ca

MON., SEPT. 9

GILFORD & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY: At the Churchill Community Centre in Innisfil, 7:30 p.m. Guest Speakers Kate Brewitt and Terry Laurin of the Re-blooming Iris Society of North America will speak on irises that have more than one blooming season per year. All welcome. Irises will be for sale.

TUES., SEPT. 10

YORK-SIMCOE NATURALISTS MEET: At the River Drive Park Community Centre, 20 Oak Ave in River Drive Park (off Queensville SR, north of Holland Landing), 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Deborah Silver, of Ontario Streams. Lug a mug. See facebook.com/YorkSimcoeNaturalists

FRI., SEPT. 13

BEETON AGRICULTURAL FALL FAIR: At the Beeton Fairgrounds, Sept. 13-15. Includes midway, homecraft exhibits in the Beeton Arena, and on Saturday, Fair Parade, Livestock shows, Team K-9 Agility demos, Tom Bishop's 4B Wild West Show, Baby contest (register 11 a.m., judging at noon), Spelling Bee at 1:30 p.m., Euchre at the Rotary Hall at 8 p.m. On Sunday, events include the Classic Car Show, and a Demolition Derby at 1 p.m.

Final Yard Sale

Bradford United Church has been holding a series of monthly indoor "Yard Sales", as a fundraiser for the Church.

The final Yard Sale of the season will take place from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 7. Everyone is welcomed to come in, and hunt for treasures. Note: No donations are needed at this time - the church has a huge selection of items that will be available for bargain hunters.

Bond Head Lions Boot Sale

The Bond Head Lions Club will be hosting a Car Boot Sale at the Bradford Community Hall, on Saturday, September 14.

"Boot" is the British term for the trunk of a car - and a "Boot Sale" is a yard sale that takes place in a parking lot, with items being sold from the trunk.

Spaces for the Sale are only $10 apiece. Contact the Lions at 905-551-1936 to reserve your spot, by September 9 - and treasure hunters, mark the date!

Claddagh Club

The Irish Claddagh Club hosts its annual Corn Roast - an afternoon of Irish Music, culture, food, and fresh corn on the cob - on Sunday, September 1, starting at 1:30 p.m., at the home of Renee Hall, 7061 - 10 Sideroad. To RSVP, call 705-431-1087.This year's event will promote the upcoming Innisfil Celtic Festival at Innisfil Beach Park, Sept. 14 -with information, and $2 Festival buttons available.

Fall Fairs & Festivals!

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present the **10th Anniversary Paws for a Cause** on Sunday, September 8 - a fundraiser for the Lions Foundation of Canada's Dog Guides program. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., drop by Pet Country Estate on 20th Sideroad of Innisfil (between Lockhart and Mapleview Rds.), for vendors, Arts & Crafts, a huge Silent Auction, a Charity BBQ and live entertainment by The Kempencelts and P.J. Wilson. There will be an All Dogs Big & Small Parade, Best Dressed Dog competition, demonstrations of Agility and Obedience. Pet Country Estate partners with the Gilford & District Lions and Thornton Lions to present this annual fundraiser. For more information or to make a donation for the Silent Auction, contact Liz Gordon at 705-431-1010 or email ***goldenliz@petcountryestate.com***

Midway ride at the Barrie Fair.

The **157th Annual Beeton Agricultural Fall Fair** takes place at the Beeton Fairgrounds, September 13-15 - on the theme, Today's Farmer. Saturday's events include the Fair Parade, Team K-9 Agility demos, Tom Bishop 4B Wild West Show (1 and 3 p.m.), Baby Contest (Register at 11 a.m., competition begins at noon), Spelling Bee (register 1:30 p.m., Bee starts at 2 p.m. on the Arena stage), lucky draw for a new bike at 4 p.m., Roast Beef Dinner from 4-7 p.m. (adults $15, kids under 10 only $6), and Euchre at the Rotary Hall, 8 p.m. Sunday's events include the Classic Truck, Car, Tractor and Motorcycle Show (call 905-729-2225 for information) - and the Demolition Derby at 1 p.m. (call Tom Middlebrook at 905-729-3179 to sign up).

The **2nd annual Innisfil Celtic Festival** takes place Saturday, September 14 at beautiful Innisfil Beach Park, on the shores of Lake Simcoe, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Five Pipe & Drum bands have already signed up for the Massed Bands entry to the park, at 10:30 a.m. Starting at the Alcona Fire Hall on Innisfil Beach Road, the Innisfil Pipes & Drums, Bradford Pipes & Drums, Clans of Tecumseth, Haliburton Highlanders and White Heather marching bands will lead the way into the park, for the Opening Ceremonies at 11 a.m. And once again, Dr. Ray Bassett, Ireland's Ambassador to Canada, will do the honours, to officially open the event.

The day of activities will include live music on the main stage with emcee and entertainer Hugo Straney, Pagan's Folly, ScIrish, Sons of Dublin, and dancers with Miller School of Irish Dance, Sanderson School of Highland Dance and MacMurchy School of Highland Dance. Barrie Swordplay will set up a Medieval village this year, and demonstrate their skill at arms. The festival includes food, Celtic vendors, Strongman competitions, Sheep herding and shearing demos, a Tug-o-War, children's area - and, at 1 p.m., a Soccer Match between Scotland (Barrie) and Ireland (Innisfil). For details, see ***www.innisfilceltic fest.com*** **Admission is FREE, with a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank.**

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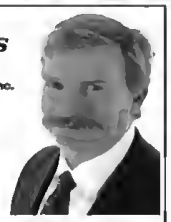
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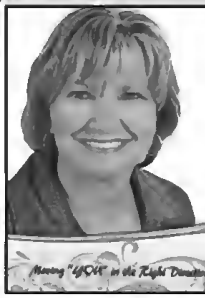
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It's the Arts: BWG Studio Art Tour

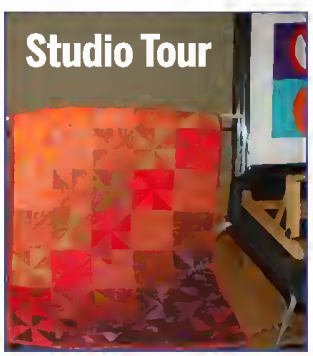
Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

The BWG Studio Art Tour held a Meet & Greet with the artists at the Bradford Public Library's Zima Room, August 27 - and among those participating were students from local elementary schools, who have artwork to be auctioned off as a fundraiser for the local Coats for Kids Campaign. The Auction of Student Art is now a much anticipated feature of the Tour. Here, Mayor Doug White congratulates the students, and teachers Corrine Donnelly, left, and Catherine Ferreira. *Below,* Quilt by Marcia Lee.

September brings two highly-anticipated events, to the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury - the start of the new School year, and the return of the BWG Studio Art Tour.

This year's Tour - the 5th - takes place September 20, 21 and 22, inviting art-lovers to take a self-directed tour of 9 studios and group venues, featuring one-of-a-kind artwork, jewellery, quilting, sculpture, accessories and quilts.

Among the artists returning to the show are Ted Nasmith, Jim Woods and Jean Tranmer, Soapstone sculptor Lora Childs, the Eco-chic handbags of Echoes in the Attic, and jewellery artists Linda Marsden (bronze goddess jewellery), Vickey Topp (Krystal Energy), and Vivian Wallace - along with many other talented artists and artisans.



The Bradford Group of Four - Tour organizers Stella Wadsworth and Maureen Joyce, and fellow artists Deb Tucker and Kathryn Bury - will hold a group show at Art in the Barn, 291 Morris Road.

At the Bond Head Community Centre, visitors can see and purchase works by Lora Childs, Jana Caissie, Corrine Donnelly, photographer Marcia Talbot, jewellery artist Judith Mercier, and Echoes in the Attic.

The Bradford Public Library will display works by 7 artists, including Woods, Nasmith, Marian Leeper, Les Buxton, jewellery by Linda Marsden and Amanda Gwynne-Farish, and the colourful quilts of Marcia Lee.

Many of the artists attended a Meet & Greet and tour preview at the Library on August 27. Stella Wadsworth encouraged visitors and residents to "get lost in Bradford West Gwillimbury" - and discover the studio stops, enjoy lunch at the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Hall in Newton Robinson on County Rd. 27, and do some early Christmas shopping.

"We showcase local talent," said Mayor Doug White, congratulating the organizers and their partners, including the South Simcoe Arts Council. "This is something every Town should have."

There was a special focus on a group of young artists, from local elementary schools. The students, in a juried competition, donated original artworks to be auctioned off to raise funds for the local Coats for Kids Campaign - a campaign that recycles gently-used winterwear, to ensure that no child has to face a cold Canadian winter unprepared. The Silent Auction of student art will take place at Art in the Barn, the Bond Head Hall and Bradford Library.

Admission to all stops on the tour is free - and visitors can also enter a free draw for a ring from Bradford Jewellery & Gems, BBQ from Canadian Tire, $100 food basket from Sobeys, Home Depot Gift certificates, and basket of hair products from Cavros Hair Studio.

Meadowfest, and a Brush with Colour

The Bradford Arts Guild is actively seeking volunteers to help with a number of upcoming events and initiatives. Email ***BradfordArtsGuild@gmail.com*** or call 905-392-7475. On Saturday, September 28 it's **Meadowfest Art in the Park** at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 10 Sideroad and 8th Line BWG. Arts, Crafts, Food vendors, entertainment, workshops, face-painting. See ***www.bradfordartsguild.com*** to register.

A Brush with Colour, the 6th annual Artists at the Gibson Show and Sale, takes place at The Gibson Centre, 63 Tupper St. West in Alliston. Meet the Artists Reception on Friday, September 27, from 6 to 9 p.m. The Show continues from the 27th, through Sunday, October 20. See ***www.gibsoncentre.com***

Munsch Ado About Nothing

Theatre By The Bay presents Munsch Ado About Nothing, a children's play based on stories by author Robert Munsch - at the Mady Centre for the Performing Arts, 1 Dunlop St. West in Barrie, to August 31. Tickets are $8 each, available at 705-739-4228 or ***www.theatrebythebay.com***

The Illumination at Sharon

The Sharon Temple National Historic Site, 18974 Leslie St. was founded by the Children of Peace - a non-traditional Quaker group who used music, light and architecture to express their faith. Once a year, the beautifully restored Temple holds "The Illumination" - when lanterns are lit in every window, and in the "lanterns" on each corner of each roof, to illuminate the night - will take place on Friday, September 6. The evening will include a selection of Canadian Chamber Music played by Ellen Meyer and Stephen Fox, on the 1848 pipe organ; and a Choir, singing a capella, led by Larry Beckwith. Tickets are $25 per person, and include refreshments. Available at the Sharon Temple, 905-478-2389.

Ghost Walk in Muskoka

A full moon hangs in the night sky, wind rustles the leaves, shadows reach out from the darkness. Suddenly you feel as if you are no longer alone - you feel a chill, as the apparition of a restless spirit emerges from the black and reaches out towards you....

Welcome to the Ghost Walk at Muskoka Heritage Place.

Maria Da Silva and Andrew Hind, well-known local authors of *Ghost Towns of Muskoka*, *Cottage Country Ghosts*, and *Ghost Stories of the War of 1812*, host the 2nd annual Ghost Walk at Muskoka Heritage Place in Huntsville on Saturday, September 7, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Follow your lantern-carrying guides to explore the haunted village, and meet some 'ghosts' first hand. Venture into the darkness of an Orange Lodge, introduce yourself to the lady of the Reverend's House, explore the terrifying history of a crossroads inn, and strain your ears to hear the spectral echoes of the blacksmith at work at his forge. Spine-chilling accounts from eyewitnesses, several never before revealed, will make your heart race. Reserve your tickets at 705-789-7576 ext. 3214 or email ***ron.gostlin@huntsville.ca***

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